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SPECIAL MEETING PROCIB
5 November 1959

UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS

Minutes of the Special Meeting, 5 November 1959

MEMBERS PRESENT

AEC	- Mrs. Doris M. Freer	
AIR	- Maj. George Kudravetz	
	Maj. Elias Bacha, Alternate	
ARMY	- Gerald C. Cooney, Alternate	
JB	- Capt. E. G. Gardner, Jr.	
LC	- Lewis C. Coffin	
NAVY	- Lt. Cdr. Donald L. Southall	
NIM	- Dr. Frank B. Rogers	
NSA	[REDACTED] Alternate	25X9A8
STATS	- Leo M. Goodman	
USIA	- L. King Quan, Alternate	
CIA	[REDACTED] Chairman	25X1A9a
	[REDACTED] Secretary	

VISITORS

STATE	- John H. Morris	25X1A9a
CIA	[REDACTED]	

1. The Chairman requested members to attend this second special meeting to continue discussion on emergency planning. The security classification of the meeting and the Minutes thereof is SECRET.

2. The Minutes of the 6 October 1959 special meeting were approved.

3. The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr. John H. Morris, Deputy Chief, Division of Intelligence Collection and Distribution, Department of State.

4. Report by the Library of Congress Member. Mr. Coffin read his report (PROCIB-D-18) prepared at the request of the Chairman, to indicate what support the non-USIB agencies would expect from procurement operations during an emergency. Mr. Coffin stated that his Working Group assumed that there

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would be established some sort of Federal Publications Center. The Chairman asked whether personnel from non-USIB agencies could be detailed to a Federal Publications Center (FPC). Mr. Coffin replied that, although this problem was not assigned to his Working Group nor was it discussed, he believed the Library of Congress would detail personnel to FPC and abroad if the L.C. requirements would not be met by the FPC. The Chairman thought it highly desirable to have the experienced staff of the national libraries available both in an emergency and the period after. The Library of Congress will consider this matter after USIB has its plan firm. USIA will also consider and will inform PROCIB. The National Library of Medicine member, speaking jointly for NLM and the Department of Agriculture, said they would act jointly with the Library of Congress.

5. Report by the Joint Staff Member. Capt. Gardner emphasized that his report (PROCIB-D-17) reflected his own opinions, not Joint Staff. After he read his report to the Committee, the Air Force and the Army indicated their support. During the ensuing discussion, the Chairman pointed out that the CIA Deputy for ASDIC has no procurement responsibilities for either USIB or non-USIB agencies. USIB itself has made explicit the distinction between procurement and exploitation by establishing separate committees. CIA planning for emergency requires planning for operations immediately prior to the outbreak of hostilities. Representation on ASDIC, definition of emergency, and when "normalcy" is resumed, were all discussed. The State member called attention to the problem of critical information needed from non-combat areas, including consideration of pouching, cable communication, etc. He described Foreign Service operations briefly, after explaining the concept of belligerent, co-belligerent and neutral areas.

6. Consideration of CIA Draft (PROCIB-15/1). State member proposed that the CIA paper be shelved for the time being unless these two problems can be resolved: a) where do you operate, and b) how do you get there. Were these resolved, then the Foreign Publications Center should be established. The Chairman stated that a plan is required, and urged that one be adopted regardless of the difficulty in resolving the assumptions. The respective roles of ASDIC and FPC were discussed, with the following as major points:

- a. ASDIC responsibilities are limited to captured enemy documents.
- b. FPC and ASDIC should be co-located.

The National Library of Medicine member stated that there seems to be no agreement on what the assumptions are - as to the nature of the emergency. The State member pointed out that USIB is considering the whole spectrum of assumptions. The Chairman stated that it seemed to him the military services are satisfied with existing planning (ASDIC) and do not wish to associate themselves with the FPC proposal. The JS member did not agree, suggested consideration of a merger between ASDIC and FPC. Maj. Bacha suggested that

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perhaps ASDIC coverage should be expanded beyond captured enemy documents. The Chairman then took the CIA proposal and revised it point by point with all the PROCIB members concurring, with the exception of the JS member, who has to leave before this discussion. The Chairman requested all members to review the revised plan (PROCIB-15/2) and report their comments to the Secretary no later than 23 November 1959. When concurrences are in, the plan will be presented to USIB.

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Secretary

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